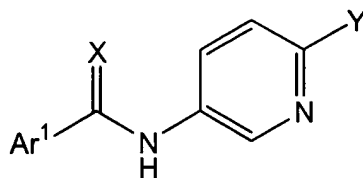


Amendments to the Claims: Please add new claims 70-71. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 48. (Canceled)

49. (Currently amended) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient and a compound of the formula:



wherein,

Ar¹ is a substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl group selected from indolyl, substituted indolyl, benzofuranyl, substituted benzofuranyl, furanyl, substituted furanyl, substituted thienyl, isothiazolyl, substituted isothiazolyl, pyrazolyl, and substituted pyrazolyl and substituted phenyl

such that when Ar¹ is substituted heteroaryl it bears a substituent which is selected from halogen, alkyl, halo(C₁-C₄)alkyl, (C₁-C₄)alkoxy, halo(C₁-C₄)alkoxy, nitro, cyano, -NR⁷C(O)R⁸, -NR⁷R⁸, phenyl and substituted phenyl, and

when Ar¹ is substituted phenyl it bears a substituent which is selected from halogen, halo(C₁-C₄)alkyl, (C₁-C₄)alkoxy, halo(C₁-C₄)alkoxy, nitro, cyano, -NR⁷R⁸, phenyl and substituted phenyl, wherein

R⁷ and R⁸ are members independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R⁷ and R⁸ taken together with the nitrogen to which each is attached form a 5-,

6- or 7-membered ring optionally having additional
heteroatoms at the ring vertices[[]];

X is a member selected from the group consisting of O, S and N-R¹,

wherein,

R¹ is a member selected from the group consisting of H, (C₁-C₈)alkyl,
substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, aryl,
substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl,
substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, CN, -C(O)R², -OR³, -C(O)NR³R⁴, and
-S(O)₂NR³R⁴,

wherein,

R² is a member selected from the group consisting of
(C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl,
substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted
heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl,
alkaryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted
heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-
C₄)alkyl;

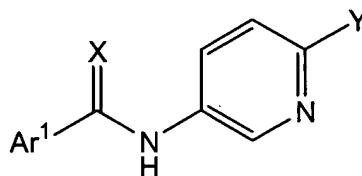
R³ and R⁴ are each members independently selected from the
group consisting of hydrogen, (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted
(C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl,
heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl,
substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl,
heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and
substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R³ and R⁴ can be
combined with the nitrogen to which each is attached to
form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring optionally having
additional heteroatoms at the ring vertices; and

Y is a member selected from the group consisting of halogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₁-
C₄ substituted alkyl, -OCH₃ and -OCF₃.

50. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 49, wherein X is O.

51. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 49, wherein Ar¹ is a member selected from the group consisting of substituted or unsubstituted 2-indolyl and substituted or unsubstituted 2-thienyl.

52. (Previously presented) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient and a compound of the formula:



wherein,

Ar¹ is substituted phenyl bearing a substituent $-\text{NC}(\text{O})\text{R}^7\text{R}^8$, wherein

R⁷ and R⁸ are members independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R⁷ and R⁸ taken together with the nitrogen to which each is attached form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring optionally having additional heteroatoms at the ring vertices.;

X is a member selected from the group consisting of O, S and N-R¹,

wherein,

R¹ is a member selected from the group consisting of H, (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl,

substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, CN, -C(O)R², -OR³, -C(O)NR³R⁴, and
-S(O)₂NR³R⁴,

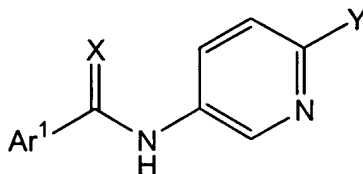
wherein,

R² is a member selected from the group consisting of
(C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl,
substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted
heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl,
alkaryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted
heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-
C₄)alkyl;

R³ and R⁴ are each members independently selected from the
group consisting of hydrogen, (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted
(C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl,
heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl,
substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl,
heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and
substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R³ and R⁴ can be
combined with the nitrogen to which each is attached to
form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring optionally having
additional heteroatoms at the ring vertices; and

Y is a member selected from the group consisting of halogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₁-
C₄ substituted alkyl, -OCH₃ and -OCF₃.

53. (Previously presented) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically
acceptable excipient and a compound of the formula:



wherein,

Ar¹ is substituted or unsubstituted multiple ring aryl, wherein Ar¹ substituents are members selected from the group consisting of halogen, alkyl, halo(C₁-C₄)alkyl, (C₁-C₄)alkoxy, halo(C₁-C₄)alkoxy, nitro, cyano, -NR⁷C(O)R⁸, -NR⁷R⁸, phenyl and substituted phenyl,

R⁷ and R⁸ are members independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R⁷ and R⁸ taken together with the nitrogen to which each is attached form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring optionally having additional heteroatoms at the ring vertices;

X is a member selected from the group consisting of O, S and N-R¹,
wherein,

R¹ is a member selected from the group consisting of H, (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, CN, -C(O)R², -OR³, -C(O)NR³R⁴, and -S(O)₂NR³R⁴,

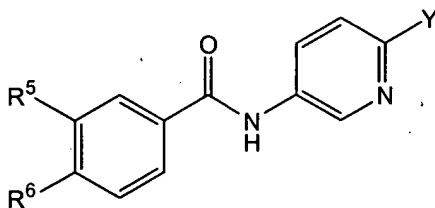
wherein,

R² is a member selected from the group consisting of (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, alkaryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl;

R^3 and R^4 are each members independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R^3 and R^4 can be combined with the nitrogen to which each is attached to form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring optionally having additional heteroatoms at the ring vertices; and

Y is a member selected from the group consisting of halogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₁-C₄ substituted alkyl, -OCH₃ and -OCF₃.

54. (Previously presented) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient and a compound of the formula:



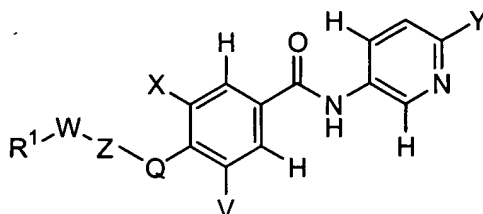
wherein,

Y is a member selected from the group consisting of halogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₁-C₄ substituted alkyl, -OCH₃ and -OCF₃; and

R^5 and R^6 are members independently selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, halo(C₁-C₄)alkyl, nitro, cyano and substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, with the proviso that both R^5 and R^6 are not H.

55. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 54, wherein R^5 and R^6 are members independently selected from the group consisting of H, F, and Cl, with the proviso that both R^5 and R^6 are not H.

56. (Previously presented) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient and a compound of the formula:



wherein Y is a member selected from methyl, trifluoromethoxy, -CF₃ or halo;

V and X are members independently selected from H, halo, substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted lower heteroalkyl, NO₂, CN, CF₃, C(O)NR¹¹R¹² and C(O)R¹³;

R¹, R¹¹, R¹² and R¹³ are members independently selected from substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted lower heteroalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted carbocycle, substituted or unsubstituted heterocycle, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, or substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl, in which R¹¹ and R¹² optionally can be joined into a ring;

Q and W are members independently selected from -(CR²R³)_t-(CH₂)_n-, -(CH₂)_n-(CR²R³)_t-, -C(R⁴)=C(R⁵)-, and -C≡C- wherein

R² and R³ are members independently selected from H, F, substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl or substituted or unsubstituted lower heteroalkyl, in which R² and R³ are optionally joined to form a cyclic structure which is a member selected from the group consisting of cycloalkyl and heterocycle groups, or R² and R³ together with the carbon to which they are attached form -C(O)-;

Z is a member selected from -O-, -S(O)_m-, -N(R⁴)-, -N(R⁴)C(O)-, -C(O)N(R⁴)-, -C(O)-, -N(R⁴)C(O)N(R⁵)-, -N(R⁴)C(O)O-, (CR²R³)_t, and -SO₂N(R⁴)-, wherein

R^4 and R^5 are members independently selected from the group consisting of H, substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted lower heteroalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, or substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl, in which R^1 is optionally joined together with either X or R^4 to form a substituted or unsubstituted heterocycle;

m is an integer from 0 to 2, inclusive;

n is an integer from 0 to 3, inclusive; and

t is an integer from 0 to 2, inclusive.

57. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 56, wherein Y is a member selected from chloro and methyl.

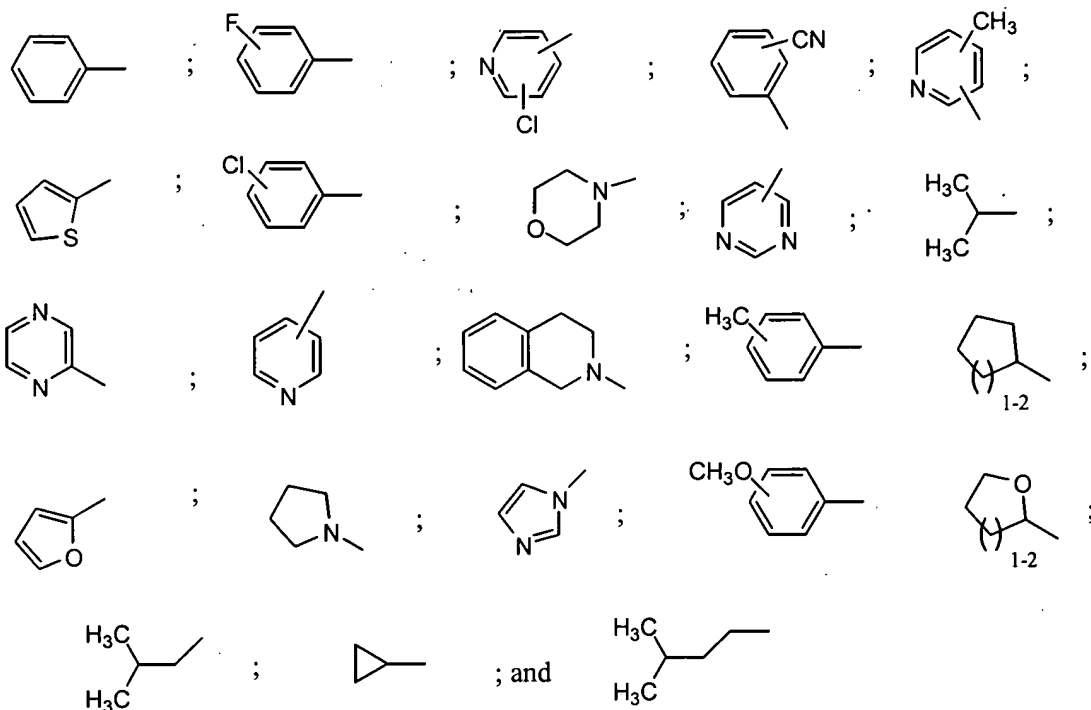
58. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 56, wherein V and X are members independently selected from the group consisting of H, halo, substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl, and $-CF_3$.

59. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 56, wherein Z is a member selected from the group consisting of $-S-$, SO_2- , $-(CR^2R^3)_t-$, and $-O-$.

60. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 58, wherein Z is a member selected from the group consisting of $-S-$, SO_2- , $-(CR^2R^3)_t-$, and $-O-$.

61. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 56, wherein R^4 is H.

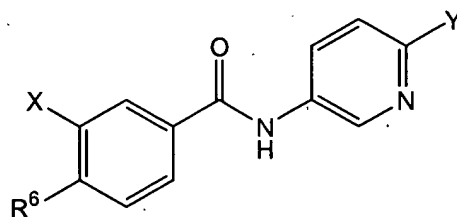
62. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 58, wherein R^1 is a member selected from the group consisting of:



63. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 58, wherein n is an integer from 0 to 2, inclusive; and t is an integer from 0 to 1, inclusive.

64. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 56, wherein said compound has a structure which is a member selected from the group consisting of the compounds set forth in **FIG. 1**.

65. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 56, wherein said compound has the structure:



wherein

R^1 -W-Z-Q- is R^6 , and R^6 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, halo(C_1 - C_4)alkyl, nitro, cyano, substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, R^9O -; R^9S -; R^9NH -; R^9NH -; $R^9NHS(O)_2$ -; $R^9S(O)_2$ -, with the proviso that both X and R^6 are not H;

wherein R^9 is a member selected from aryl, and alkylaryl, when there is more than one R^9 group per molecule, each R^9 group is independently selected; and

Y is a member selected from halogen, C_1 - C_4 alkyl, $-OCH_3$, and $-OCF_3$.

66. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 65, wherein the alkyl component of said alkylaryl group is a C_1 - C_4 alkyl group.

67. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 65, wherein said aryl group of R^9 is heteroaryl.

68. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 65, wherein the aryl component of said (C_1 - C_4)alkylaryl group is a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group.

69. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 65, wherein the aryl component of said (C_1 - C_4)alkylaryl group is a substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl group.

70. (New) The composition of claim 49, wherein when Ar^1 is substituted phenyl, then

R^7 is a member selected from the group consisting of (C_1 - C_8)alkyl, substituted (C_1 - C_8)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C_1 - C_4)alkyl and substituted aryl(C_1 - C_4)alkyl; and

R^8 is a member selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, (C_1 - C_8)alkyl, substituted (C_1 - C_8)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted

heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R⁷ and R⁸ taken together with the nitrogen to which each is attached form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring optionally having additional heteroatoms at the ring vertices.

71. (New) The composition of claim 49, wherein if Ar¹ is substituted phenyl, then

R⁷ is a member selected from the group consisting of (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl; and

R⁸ is a member selected from the group consisting of (C₁-C₈)alkyl, substituted (C₁-C₈)alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted cycloalkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heterocyclyl, substituted heterocyclyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl and substituted aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl, or R⁷ and R⁸ taken together with the nitrogen to which each is attached form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring optionally having additional heteroatoms at the ring vertices.